GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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ELECTRICITY REFORM
BHAWANA GAWALI (PATIL)

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal of the Union Government to enact the Energy ConversionBill, 2000 for making the electricity reforms compulsory for the State Governments have been rejected by most of the State Governments;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of fresh measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for carrying out the new electricity reforms in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (c) : The Energy Conservation Bill was introduced in the Parliament on24.2.2000. It provides for efficient use of energy and its conservation.

The Ministry of Power has been contemplating to bring a new legislationto obviate the need of each State to enact its own law and to expedite power sector reforms. The principles of draft legislation have been discussed with all stake holders including State Governments and their views taken into consideration before finalisation of the Bill.